EXHIBIT A

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

EUGENE SCALIA, Secretary of Labor, United States Department of Labor,

Petitioner,

V.

Civil Action No.

A & J FRAMING, INC.,

Respondent.

DECLARATION OF MARK H. WATSON, JR.

I, Mark H. Watson, Jr., declare pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746 and under penalty of perjury that the following is true and correct:

- I am employed as the Regional Administrator for the Northeast Region of the Wage and Hour Division, United States Department of Labor.
- As Regional Administrator, pursuant to Sections 5(B) and (C) of the Secretary's Order 5-2010, I have been delegated the authority by the Secretary of Labor to issue administrative subpoenas under the Fair Labor Standards Act, 29 U.S.C. § 201, et seq. (the "FLSA").
- 3. The Boston District Office of the Wage and Hour Division is conducting an investigation of A & J Framing, Inc. ("A & J") under the FLSA. The Boston District Office had requested records in the course of its investigation, but A & J did not produce all of the requested records. I was subsequently presented with a draft administrative subpoena duces tecum for records relevant to the investigation.
- I reviewed the information requested in the draft subpoena and determined that the requests were within the statutory authority of the Wage and Hour Division, the requests

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were specific and detailed, and the documents requested were reasonably relevant to the authorized investigation.

On July 1, 2020, I signed the subpoena duces tecum that is attached as Exhibit 1 to this declaration, and sent it to the Boston District Office.

Executed on this 200 day of October, 2020.

Mark H. Watson, Jr.

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